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Three Agricultural Education Majors at U of M, Crookston Earn American FFA Degree

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Three agricultural education majors at the University of Minnesota, Crookston were recently awarded the American FFA Degree. Nathan Anderson, a sophomore from Appleton, Minn.; Thomas Chute, a senior from Aitkin, Minn.; and Amy Lee a sophomore from Mercer, N.D.; were presented their American FFA Degree on Saturday, October 27 at the 2012 National FFA Convention held in Indianapolis, Ind. The American FFA Degree is the highest degree that can be earned from the National FFA Organization. Anderson, Chute, and Lee are all members of the U of M, Crookston Collegiate FFA Chapter as well as concurrently enrolled in their respective high school chapters.

Background

The Crookston campus has the only Collegiate FFA chapter in the state of Minnesota and Professor Lyle Westrom serves as the chapter's advisor. The Collegiate FFA is part of the National FFA Organization which also held its 2012 National Convention concurrently with the ATA Conclave in Indianapolis, Indiana. A new record of over 56,000 FFA members attended the National FFA Convention. The convention returns to Louisville, Kentucky in 2013. Today the University of Minnesota, Crookston delivers 26 bachelor's degree programs, 18 minors, and 39 concentrations on campus--as well as 10 degrees online--in the areas of agriculture and natural resources; business; liberal arts and education; and math, science and technology. With an enrollment of 1,800 undergraduates from 25 countries and 40 states, the Crookston campus offers a supportive, close-knit atmosphere that leads to a prestigious University of Minnesota degree. "Small Campus. Big Degree." To learn more, visit www.umcrookston.edu.

In the photo, left to right: Nathan Anderson, Amy Lee and Thomas Chute.

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